
OCULUS 2021 EVENTS REPORT

1. PRE-EVENTS

- **S.P.I.T. Hackathon**

CSI S.P.I.T. organized the SPIT Hackathon as one of the pre-events of Oculus, the Annual Techno-Cultural Fest of S.P.I.T. However, in view of the pandemic, this year it was organized virtually. Nevertheless, the event encompassed participation from an impressive 200 teams from all across the country, out of which 65 teams were selected for the Hackathon after a tough shortlisting round. The 24hr Hackathon was held on 13th and 14th February 2021. Out of the 65 teams, 13 teams made it to the second round, where all the teams presented their solution in front of a panel of judges. After a rivalrous round of presentations, at 8:00 pm on 14th February, the winners of the Hackathon were declared. Team Kepler-452b bagged first place in the Hackathon. The top 3 winners were awarded prizes worth Rs.1,00,000 along with goodies provided by Devfolio and GiveMyCertificate and Certification Vouchers from Sybgen Inc.

- **Short Circuit**

The SE ETRX students of Sardar Patel Institute of Technology came up with a brilliant event idea for Oculus pre-event named Short Circuit Designathon this year, which took place on 6th and 7th March, 2021. There was massive participation by students all over India. The judging panel had on board Dr. Surendra Singh Rathod and Prof. Prashant Kasambe. The prizes for the competition were worth Rs.10,000, the duo of Mr Manas Pange and Mr Aksharan Ganeshan bagged the first position. Mr Prabhat Kumar and Mr Varun Kamath were awarded the second position and Mr Aditya Kulkarni the third prize. The first and the second prize winners got an incredible internship opportunity offered by Infigon, which is one of the emerging companies in the counselling industry.

2. TECHNICAL EVENTS

- **Codatron (Oculus Coding League)**

Codatron presented by the Oculus Coding League was a traditional coding contest for the First years to pave a way for them to get a headstart in the

world of competitive programming. A virtual bootcamp for the FEs was organized on 27-28th of February preceded Codatron, wherein they could build a strong foundation in competitive programming under the mentorship of their experienced seniors. Codatron, held virtually on 13-14th of March, was where the participants could apply what they had learned in the OCL Bootcamp. This helped them truly test their knowledge. The prizes of the competition were worth Rs. 12,000, winners of Codatron were Shrenik Jadhav followed by Jai Patel, 1st Runner-up and Sidhhant Dutta, 2nd Runner-up. The event was a huge success as it was both educational and a fun event.

- **Codatron ++ (Oculus Coding League)**

Codatron++ was also organised on Hackerrank which had only one round instead of two. With seemingly deadly and mind-boggling coding puzzles it was ensured that only the best coder would win! The competition, the grit and the sheer passion with which the participants played was a joy to the spectator. After an intense battle, the master brains who walked away with the gold were Gokul Raj, Arjan Bal and Pritish Nayak. The prizes of the competition were worth Rs. 22,000. A special category called 'Top 3 SPIT Coders' was also announced with Sahil Marwaha, Adwait Hegde and Ayush Sah as the sequenced prize winners.

- **Virtual Stock Market**

The main event was held on 13th and 14th of march on the Official VSM app. The storyline was intriguing and kept the investors hitched to their seats as they watched markets rise and fall in a spectacular fashion. The winners of the first day were Hrishikesh Lokhande, Kamal Raisinghani and Priya Agarwal at first, second and third place and the second day winners were Pulin Prabhu, Khush Jain and Kunal Mandvakar in sequence. There were massive cash prizes overall totaling 45k INR which helped increase the buzz and intrigue, keeping everyone trying their best to get their hands on the win.

3. FUN EVENTS

- **IPL Auction**

An event where superstar cricketers go under the hammer and richest bidders in the country fight for collecting them under their franchise in an enthralling race with other bidders!

Here, players are bought and sold for money to the competitors who pay for them. The event was planned along the same lines in an online mode. It was designed as a combination of three major websites: Google meet, Airmeeet and the main app where the players, teams and other technical stuff were displayed.

Winners were announced some days apart. The prizes of the event were worth Rs.15,000. Harish M bagged the first prize with 1010 points, Chaitanya Vijayvargia and team were runners up with 1008 points and Shubh Shah and team were declared the third wheel with 1004 points. Slot Winners were Shantanu Milkhe, Vinaya Gouda, Soorya B, Yash Jathar, Swarup Khode and Durgeshwar Mahto.

- **Oculus ESports**

The event included games like Valorant and Counter Strike Global Offensive . A terrific participation from various colleges was witnessed for both game events as the teams battled it out on intense maps to clinch victory. The games followed a 5v5 knockout format with the qualifiers and semi finals being held on the 13th of march followed by the grand finale on 14th. Valorant was live streamed on youtube along with an exciting live commentary. The winners were offered a cash prize of three thousand and five gaming earphones. The runners up kept a cash prize of two thousand and the MVP's bagged a gaming console. All in all prizes worth Rs 18,000 were distributed.

The Valorant winners and runners up were team Orgless 5 and VoltFraction Enforcers respectively. Team UNDISPUTED won the CS GO event followed by team ZF in runners up.

- **Raiders of Virtual Treasure**

As the name suggests, the event indulged the participants in a mind-boggling adventure, wherein they were stuck in a virtual world, divided into several realms named after characters from Game Of Thrones, Assassin's Creed, and so on, to spice it all up. Initially, all participants were given a website to start from and were expected to decode the hint for each level and move on to the next website, in order to find their way out of the confined zone, and finally to the treasure! The first one to reach out to the other side of the world was the winner Vignesh Gupta, having received prizes worth 10k bucks. Despite the constraint of the existence of the virtual component and more than 50 participants having taken part, the organisers made sure of the smooth functioning of the event, providing them with a helpdesk on each website along with a few lifelines.

4. CULTURAL EVENTS

- **Sargam- Jung Suroon Ki**

Sargam- Jung Suroon Ki, like many other events of Oculus, was conducted online due to COVID-19 restrictions. The competition was held in two rounds. In the first round, the participants were required to submit a pre-recorded video. Out of an approximate hundred participants, only fifteen made it to the final round which was held offline at a recording studio on 13th March. The event was also live-streamed on the official channel of Oculus on youtube. The judges were virtually present to judge the participants. Over two hundred people tuned in to watch Sargam, to enjoy the mesmerizing music and singing of the participants. From soulful to rock music the audience enjoyed all the performances.

The winner was decided based on both live voting and the marks given by the judges. The winners of the competition received the prizes worth Rs. 10,000. The winner for the Hindi category was Rhutuja Lokhande and Tulsi Kabra who was the runner-up. The winner for the English category was Samiksha Gawai. As the name suggests “Sargam-Jung Suroon Ki” was not less than a “jung” but both the audience and the participants had a great evening.

Link of Event Video: https://youtu.be/XpO_sCkYe6g

- **Aelan-E-Jung**

The inter-college dance competition was held on 14th March 2021, via a live stream. The event commenced with the enthusiastic voices of hosts Parth Chatrapati and Shweta Joshi who announced the judging panel that included Jignya A. Johri and Neeraj Yadav, honouring our college with their presence. The viewers kept the atmosphere of the live stream energetic by cheering the participants through their comments and supporting them via votes from the Oculus App. The “Best Choreography” award was conferred to Vidhi Shah and Ramya Ramesh. Zestreet stood first with Gyration and Hypnotics securing the first runner up and second runner up positions respectively. The winners received the prizes worth of Rs. 20,000.

Link of Event Video: <https://youtu.be/NRyHrjpLUsk>

- **Open Mic**

Open Mic’21 was organised by SPark in association with Mudra and Oculus on 12th March at a professional studio in Andheri. The hosts for the evening were Ramanansri Iyer and Harsh Sandesara who made sure the audience was

kept entertained with their witty compering. The event began with a brilliant montage showing glimpses of Oculus 2021 Opener hyping everyone up for the amazing events that were about to follow. Over 500 people tuned in to watch this as it was a Kick-off of Oculus 2021. All throughout the event, the lovely online viewers made sure to cheer the participants and bring the energy levels up through their comments!

Link of Event Video: <https://youtu.be/bjzq8kNxKQo>

5. PRONITES

- **War of Branches**

The Oculus team presented with yet another memorable event, THE WAR OF BRANCHES, which was conducted on the 13th March 2021. The event was hosted by Sakshi Pandit and judged by a talented set of jury consisting of Angella Rebello and Roochie Barate. Even though the event was conducted virtually, the entire team of organizers was successful in keeping the audience engaged the whole time. There were 6 categories- fine art, photography, acting, singing, dance, and rap roasting.

The fine art and photography competition was held a week before the actual event. The vibrant drawings and creative photographs of the participants were posted on the Instagram handle, the war had begun from then onwards. Then came the main event that people eagerly waited for. The event was live-streamed on YouTube. IT won the war of branches and by this, the event came to an end leaving us with a very remarkable day.

Link of Event Video: <https://youtu.be/H85CSpA5vSk>

- **StandUp Comedy-Nite**

For the first time, a college in India could pull off a hybrid Stand-up event with not just one but two well-known comedians. As opposed to EDM nights and Concerts held every year as pronites, this time, the team of Oculus brilliantly managed to arrange a Stand-up event offline as well as online on Airmeeet. Arrangements were made to accommodate nearly 100 people on campus whereas viewers in the online live stream crossed 350. First up on stage, we had East India Comedy's prolific pun master, Azeem Banatwalla, creating colloquial transitions between everything from politics to The Lion King, keeping the crowd as intrigued as always. The second comedian for the night was Kumar Varun, one of the funniest personalities in India. KV



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engaged the audience through his journey of transforming from an engineer to a stand-up comic, alongside constant crowd interaction with the students. The event ended on a high note with a small song guessing from its hook-step with the help of very sporting volunteers which added to the fun and excitement of the night.

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